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AMENDMENT A

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action dated 03 October 2001 for the above-identified patent application. Kindly extend the time for response two months, up to and including 04 March 2002. A request for an extension of time is provided.

Kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 1-12 and insert the following claims 13-20:

--13. A microarray device comprising:

- (a) an electrode array device comprising a plurality of electrode cells, a porous matrix, and a plurality of affinity anchor molecules, wherein the affinity anchor molecule is selected from the group consisting of oligonucleotides, peptides and mixed oligo-peptides; and
- (b) a plurality of molecules of interest, wherein each molecule of interest comprises a moiety that binds to a specific or complementary affinity anchor molecule and a binding entity selected from the group consisting of oligonucleotides, peptides, antibodies, and combinations thereof.--

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